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SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a.	not available
n.y.a.	not yet available
qtr	quarter
*	subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes
. .	not applicable
0, 0.0	nil, or rounded to zero

ROUNDING

Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

INFORMATION

All data are presented in original terms, unless otherwise stated. More detailed information on each series, including explanatory and technical notes, can be obtained from other Australian Bureau of Statistics publications or alternative data sources. To assist those seeking further information, the series presented in the statistical and state summaries provides a reference to the Publication Source Index which is at the end of this publication.

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OVERVIEW

The data in this Overview are presented in trend terms, unless otherwise stated.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The value of South Australian merchandise exports in original terms for the month of March 2003 was \$698.7m. This was a decrease of 0.6% from \$703.2m recorded in February 2003 and a decrease of 20.2% from the March 2002 figure of \$876.1m.

The value of South Australian merchandise imports in original terms for March 2003 was \$384.8m. This was a decrease of 26.6% from \$523.8m recorded in February 2003 and a decrease of 1.3% from the March 2002 figure of \$389.9m.

CONSUMPTION AND INVESTMENT

In the twelve months to March 2003 retail turnover increased by 5.4% or \$56.3m. Turnover for March was \$1,093.2m, an increase of 0.2% on the previous month.

April 2003 saw a total of 5,132 new motor vehicle sales—an increase of 1.9% on the previous month's figure of 5,037 vehicles, and 18.2% higher than the 4,342 vehicles recorded in April 2002.

Private new capital expenditure in the December quarter 2002 was \$919m, an increase of 25.4% (\$224m) on the December quarter 2001, and an increase of 2.0% (\$18m) on the September 2002 quarter figure of \$901m.

HOUSING

In March 2003 the total number of dwelling units approved in South Australia was 869, 11 fewer than for February (880 units). This presents a continuation of the decline since the high of 982 dwellings in October 2002.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The all groups consumer price index in Adelaide for the March quarter 2003 was 144.6 (original terms). This was an increase of 2.2 percentage points from December quarter 2002, and an increase of 5.0 percentage points on the level recorded twelve months previously.

LABOUR FORCE AND DEMOGRAPHY

In April 2003 the trend estimate of employed persons in South Australia was 714,700. This was 23,400 persons higher than the level of twelve months ago (691,300). The total number of persons employed full-time in South Australia was 505,400 in April 2003.

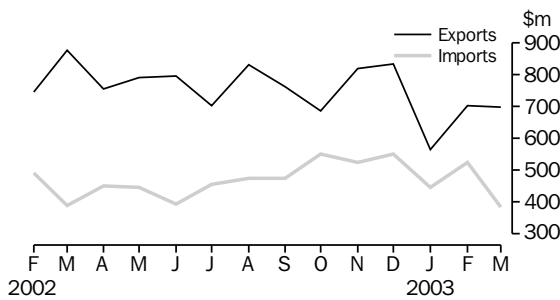
In April 2003, the estimate of the unemployment rate for South Australia was 6.2% and was lower than the rate in April 2002 (6.8%). The estimate of the participation rate in South Australia was 61.9% in April 2003 compared with 60.9% in April 2002.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

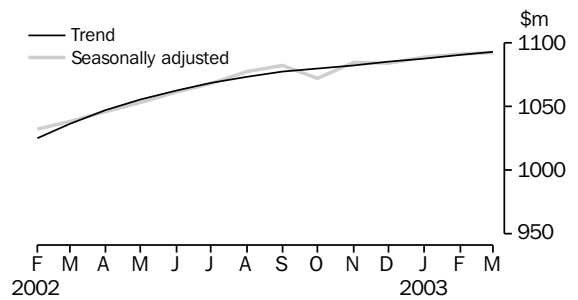
The value of secured housing finance commitments (excluding alterations and additions) was \$551m in March 2003, a slight increase on the February 2003 figure of \$536m. The March 2003 figure is also an increase of 15.6% on that of March 2002 (\$477m).

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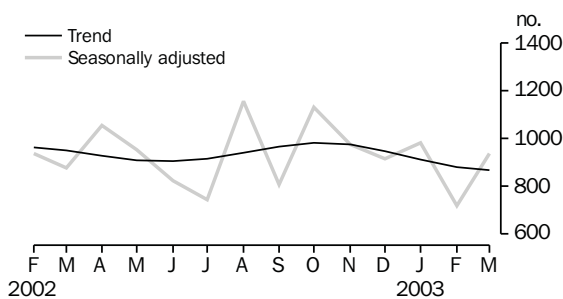
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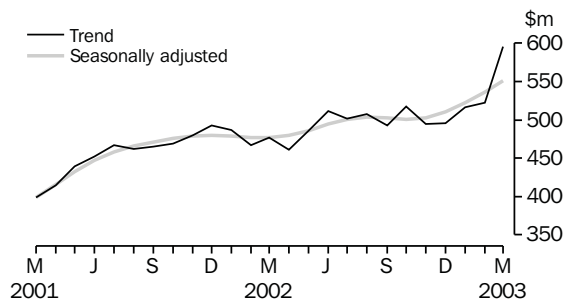
RETAIL TURNOVER



DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

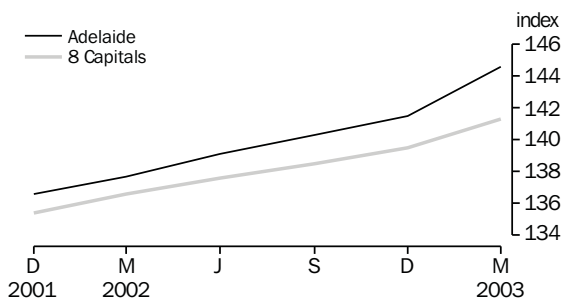


SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS(a)

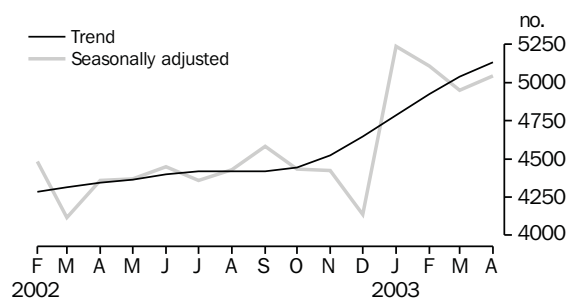


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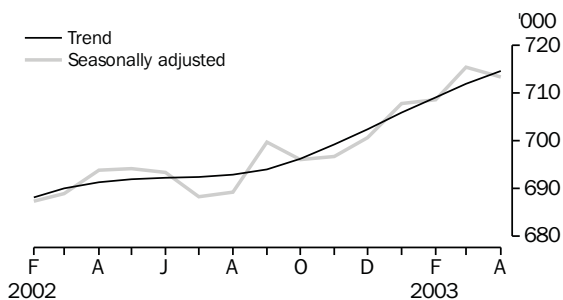
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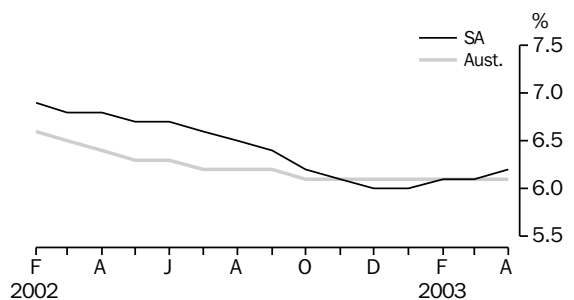
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES



EMPLOYED PERSONS



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE—TREND



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Indicator	Period	Number	South Australia		Australia				Source index
			Previous period	Same period previous year	Number	Previous period	Same period previous year	SA as a % of Aust.	
State accounts									
Domestic final demand									
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	13 714	2.0	10.1	191 765	2.1	8.6	7.2	(1)
Chain volume measures trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	13 112	1.1	7.3	184 529	1.5	6.3	7.1	(1)
Private final consumption expenditure									
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	8 267	1.5	8.1	112 659	1.3	6.5	7.3	(1)
Chain volume measures trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	7 869	0.5	4.8	107 961	0.7	4.1	7.3	(1)
Private gross fixed capital formation									
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	2 476	3.1	24.0	38 154	4.5	18.6	6.5	(1)
Chain volume measures trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	2 419	2.9	22.5	37 174	3.8	16.9	6.5	(1)
Compensation of employees									
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	5 784	1.9	6.4	88 822	1.4	5.7	6.5	(1)
International accounts									
Exports (\$m)	Mar 03	698.7	−0.6	−20.2	9 894.2	10.1	−5.3	7.1	(2)
Imports (\$m)	Mar 03	384.8	−26.6	−1.3	10 739.2	5.1	11.8	3.6	(2)
Consumption and investment									
Retail turnover									
Current prices original (\$m)	Mar 03	1 061.8	11.2	2.7	14 154.2	10.2	4.4	7.5	(3)
Current prices trend (\$m)	Mar 03	1 093.2	0.2	5.4	14 587.5	0.2	5.1	7.5	(3)
Chain volume measures original (\$m)	Mar qtr 03	2 944.2	−15.5	3.2	39 600.3	−15.0	3.9	7.4	(3)
New motor vehicle sales									
Original (no.)	April 03	4 507	−12.4	13.1	68 865	−9.5	7.8	6.5	(4)
Trend (no.)	April 03	5 132	1.9	18.2	74 147	1.3	7.7	6.9	(4)
Private new capital expenditure									
Current prices original (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	1 162	41.5	30.4	14 222	22.3	21.0	8.2	(5)
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	919	2.0	25.4	12 415	3.7	13.6	7.4	(5)
Private new capital expenditure (\$m)	2001–02	3 113	8.8	..	44 380	4.1	..	7.0	(5)
Tourist accommodation takings (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	64.9	18.3	16.3	1 314.1	6.2	8.6	4.9	(6)
Production									
Dwelling unit approvals									
Original (no.)	Mar 03	1 051	41.1	16.3	13 535	7.2	0.3	7.8	(7)
Trend (no.)	Mar 03	869	−1.2	−8.5	12 858	−1.5	−8.7	6.8	(7)
Dwelling units commenced (no.)	Dec qtr 02	2 769	1.4	6.0	44 496	−7.7	4.2	6.2	(8)
Value of non-residential building approvals—trend (\$m)	Mar 03	46.7	−19.3	−28.4	1151.9	−6.1	0.6	4.1	(7)
Value of total building activity									
Commenced (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	742.7	12.4	32.7	13 089.1	3.9	21.1	5.7	(8)
Work done (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	613.9	0.7	16.3	12 364.0	3.8	23.4	5.0	(8)
Work yet to be done (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	993.0	16.4	37.5	19 516.3	8.7	34.2	5.1	(8)
Value of engineering construction work done (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	512.9	62.0	56.3	6 385.7	14.2	22.7	8.0	(9)
Manufacturing production									
Red meat trend (tonnes)	Mar qtr 03	62 983	0.3	6.8	775 926	−1.9	2.7	8.1	(11)
Mineral exploration expenditure (other than for petroleum) (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	10.0	3.1	25.0	192.8	5.4	12.9	5.2	(12)

STATISTICAL COMMUNITY CONFIDENCE									
Indicator	Period	South Australia			Australia			SA as a % of Aust.	Source index
		Number	% change from		Number	% change from			
			Previous period	Same period previous year		Previous period	Same period previous year		
Prices(a)									
CPI—All groups (index no.)	Mar qtr 03	144.6	2.2	5.0	141.3	1.3	3.4	..	(13)
Price index of materials used in house building (index no.)	Mar qtr 03	136.2	0.7	4.0	130.9	0.6	3.8	..	(14)
Price index of materials used in building other than houses (index no.)	Mar qtr 03	123.8	0.4	4.0	124.1	1.1	4.8	..	(14)
Price index of established houses (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	177.4	5.2	21.1	206.1	4.8	18.4	..	(15)
Price index of project homes (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	155.5	1.2	5.4	142.5	0.8	3.6	..	(15)
Labour force and demography									
Population (resident at end qtr) ('000)	Sep qtr 02	1 522.5	0.1	0.6	19 727.5	0.3	1.3	7.7	(16)
Natural increase of the population ('000)	Sep qtr 02	0.9	-42.3	-23.8	24.8	-16.9	-6.9	3.8	(16)
Labour force									
Original ('000)	April 03	760.7	-0.3	2.4	10 127.4	-0.3	2.4	7.5	(17)
Trend ('000)	April 03	761.5	0.4	2.7	10 173.5	0.1	2.5	7.5	(17)
Employed persons									
Original ('000)	April 03	714	-0.3	2.8	9 497.7	0.0	2.6	7.5	(17)
Trend ('000)	April 03	714.7	0.4	3.4	9 550.4	0.0	2.8	7.5	(17)
Participation rate									
Original(b) (%)	April 03	61.9	-0.1	0.9	63.9	-0.3	0.4	..	(17)
Trend(b) (%)	April 03	61.9	0.2	1.0	64.3	0.0	0.6	..	(17)
Unemployment rate									
Original(b) (%)	April 03	6.1	0.0	-0.4	6.2	-0.3	-0.2	..	(17)
Trend(b) (%)	April 03	6.2	0.1	-0.6	6.1	0.0	-0.3	..	(17)
Job vacancies ('000)	Feb 03	7.1	36.4	1.4	111.3	15.8	21.9	6.4	(18)
Industrial disputes ('000 working days lost)	Feb 02	0.3	-62.5	-57.1	24.0	175.9	5.7	1.3	(19)
Income									
Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time)									
Original (\$)	Feb qtr 03	850.9	3.9	6.2	900.4	1.2	4.6	..	(20)
Trend (\$)	Feb qtr 03	841.1	2.3	5.3	899.8	1.2	4.7	..	(20)
Wage cost index (total hourly rate excluding bonuses)(c) (index no.)	Mar qtr 03	119.1	0.5	3.7	119.4	0.9	3.6	..	(21)
Financial markets									
Secured housing finance(d)									
Original (\$m)	Mar 03	613.1	20.7	28.2	9434.5	13.9	18.5	6.5	(22)
Trend (\$m)	Mar 03	551.3	2.8	15.6	8896.1	1.0	10.1	6.2	(22)
Finance commitments									
Personal (\$m)	Mar 03	428.0	17.1	32.8	6170.0	11.1	26.8	6.9	(23)
Commercial (\$m)	Mar 03	854.1	19.7	9.4	21749.6	22.5	31.7	3.9	(23)
Lease (\$m)	Mar 03	17.0	24.7	16.1	534.6	20.5	-0.2	3.2	(23)
Interest rates(b)									
Banks new housing loans (%)	Mar 03	..	..	..	6.6	0.0	0.5	..	(24)
Bank loans—small, medium business(e) (%)	Mar 03	..	..	..	8.0	0.0	0.5	..	(24)
Bank loans—large business (%)	Mar 03	..	..	..	8.4	0.0	0.5	..	(24)
(a) Base year of each index 1989-90 = 100.									
(b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.									
(c) Base year of index Sep 1997 = 100.									
(d) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.									
(e) Rate for business loans over \$50,000.									

Indicator	Period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Source index
SELECTED INDICATORS										
CPI—All groups(a) (index no.)	Mar qtr 03	142.1	140.9	141.8	144.6	137.4	140.0	137.5	140.7	(13)
Participation rate trend (%)	April 03	63.5	64.0	65.3	61.9	66.5	58.9	74.5	72.1	(17)
Unemployment rate trend (%)	April 03	6.0	5.5	7.1	6.2	5.7	8.7	6.4	4.3	(17)
Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time) trend (\$)	Feb 03	951.20	900.70	821.30	841.10	890.70	826.40	875.80	1 037.00	(20)
SELECTED INDICATORS PER HEAD OF POPULATION(b)										
State final demand										
Chain volume measures trend (\$'000)	Dec 02	9.5	9.4	8.8	8.6	9.3	7.7	13.0	16.1	(1)
Retail turnover										
Current prices original (\$)	Mar 03	740.2	693.7	712.6	697.4	709.7	627.0	707.6	951.5	(3)
Current prices, trend	Mar 03	763.5	708.5	743.6	718.1	729.8	631.9	759.1	964.2	(3)
New motor vehicle sales trend (no. per '000 population)	April 03	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.4	3.3	2.8	3.6	3.9	(4)
Private new capital expenditure										
Current prices trend (\$)	Dec qtr 02	522.9	646.9	612.0	603.6	855.0	437.3	2 523.7	453.1	(5)
Dwelling unit approvals										
Original (no. per '000 population)	Mar 03	0.565	0.691	0.868	0.690	0.847	0.387	0.349	0.680	(7)
Trend (no. per '000 population)	Mar 03	0.560	0.630	0.832	0.571	0.910	0.351	0.324	0.546	(7)
Secured housing finance(c) (\$)	Mar 03	550.7	420.2	497.7	402.7	483.2	239.8	269.6	446.6	(22)
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS PERIOD										
State final demand										
Chain volume measures trend (%)	Dec 02	1.4	1.1	1.2	1.1	2.5	0.3	-0.7	0.8	(1)
Retail turnover										
Current prices original (%)	Mar 03	9.8	11.1	9.6	11.2	9.7	9.7	11.6	11.7	(3)
Current prices, trend	Mar 03	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.7	(3)
New motor vehicle sales trend (%)	April 03	1.5	0.7	2.1	1.9	0.0	1.6	2.4	1.9	(4)
Private new capital expenditure										
Current prices trend (%)	Dec qtr 02	2.4	2.1	6.8	2.0	3.8	-9.2	10.4	-3.3	(5)
Dwelling unit approvals										
Original (%)	Mar 03	7.0	-3.8	15.2	41.1	3.2	20.4	-16.9	-2.2	(7)
Trend (%)	Mar 03	-2.5	-3.5	1.7	-1.2	1.3	4.1	-5.3	-17.1	(7)
CPI—All groups (%)	Mar qtr 03	1.2	1.4	1.4	2.2	0.7	1.4	1.0	1.1	(13)
Participation rate trend(d) (%)	April 03	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.2	-0.2	(17)
Unemployment rate trend(d) (%)	April 03	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.0	(17)
Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time) trend (%)	Feb 03	1.7	0.7	0.4	2.3	0.6	0.9	1.2	2.3	(20)
Secured housing finance (%)	Mar 03	16.5	12.9	15.1	20.7	5.2	14.2	19.0	-10.5	(22)

(a) Base year of index 1989–90 = 100.

(b) The latest quarterly estimate of Australian resident population has been used to calculate ratios for subsequent periods.

(c) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

(d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.

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STATE ACCOUNTS AT CURRENT PRICES

	<i>Final consumption expenditure</i>		<i>Gross fixed capital formation</i>				
<i>Period</i>	<i>Households</i>	<i>General government</i>	<i>Private</i>	<i>Public</i>	<i>State final demand</i>	<i>Gross State product</i>	<i>Compensation of employees</i>
ANNUAL (\$m)							
1999–00	26 618	8 789	(a)10 163	(a)–1 445	44 125	41 192	19 965
2000–01	28 880	9 143	8 522	112	46 658	44 119	20 938
2001–02	31 067	9 542	8 281	1 476	50 366	47 002	21 901
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m)							
2001–02							
September	7 508	2 392	1 906	380	12 187	n.a.	5 369
December	7 646	2 414	1 996	400	12 456	n.a.	5 435
March	7 815	2 445	2 136	389	12 785	n.a.	5 500
June	7 991	2 499	2 281	367	13 133	n.a.	5 582
2002–03							
September	8 141	2 545	2 401	358	13 444	n.a.	5 678
December	8 267	2 575	2 476	359	13 714	n.a.	5 784

(a) The negative figure for Public gross fixed capital formation and the larger than usual positive figure for Private gross fixed capital formation are the result of the sale of the South Australian electrical transmission network in December quarter 1999. For more information see *National Income, Expenditure and Product, Australian National Accounts, June 2000* (cat. no. 5206.0).

Source: *Australian National Accounts: National Income, Expenditure and Product* (cat. no. 5206.0), and *Australian National Accounts: State Accounts* (cat. no. 5220.0)..

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STATE ACCOUNTS AT CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES(a)

	Final consumption expenditure		Gross fixed capital formation			
Period	Households	General government	Private	Public	State final demand	Gross State product
ANNUAL (\$m)						
1999–00	27 835	9 000	(b)10 516	(b)–2 384	45 859	42 727
2000–01	28 880	9 143	8 522	–732	46 658	44 119
2001–02	30 470	9 352	8 180	521	49 463	45 765
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m)						
2001–02						
September	7 407	2 320	1 887	377	11 994	n.a.
December	7 512	2 336	1 975	396	12 218	n.a.
March	7 641	2 361	2 107	385	12 493	n.a.
June	7 756	2 399	2 240	364	12 757	n.a.
2002–03						
September	7 832	2 435	2 350	355	12 971	n.a.
December	7 869	2 455	2 419	356	13 112	n.a.

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2000–2001.

(b) The negative figure for Public gross fixed capital formation and the larger than usual positive figure for Private gross fixed capital formation are the result of the sale of the South Australian electrical transmission network in December quarter 1999. For more information see *National Income, Expenditure and Product, Australian National Accounts, June 2000* (cat. no. 5206.0).

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MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP(a)

	<i>Meat and meat preparations</i>	<i>Wheat</i>	<i>Wine</i>	<i>Wool and sheepskins (excl. wool tops)</i>	<i>Machinery</i>	<i>Metals and metal manufactures</i>	<i>Fish and crustaceans</i>	<i>Road vehicles, parts and accessories</i>	<i>Petroleum and petroleum products</i>	<i>Total(b)</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>
1999-00	160 483	473 086	899 348	179 716	353 205	805 744	394 375	883 792	218 466	6 188 231
2000-01	262 565	767 524	1 081 599	236 034	381 785	1 019 926	451 841	1 399 489	355 781	8 286 782
2001-02	316 263	1 154 933	1 358 316	256 722	321 445	913 417	474 854	1 613 919	250 728	9 103 263
2001-02										
October	29 804	74 206	134 368	23 871	24 161	80 651	16 992	217 406	17 879	839 374
November	30 056	95 995	81 272	24 908	21 862	89 069	23 757	135 759	30 543	716 786
December	32 136	93 070	105 237	17 789	23 070	62 905	31 363	207 778	20 094	820 447
January	22 604	136 558	61 255	15 357	19 868	63 089	35 902	25 652	16 755	561 836
February	31 183	86 109	83 914	23 524	25 522	82 009	26 187	122 727	2 328	745 077
March	34 065	119 775	127 140	32 960	35 610	88 158	22 365	170 972	44 358	876 068
April	24 011	102 777	122 653	22 942	32 351	74 900	25 363	134 415	8 900	756 976
May	26 189	114 535	146 020	34 208	33 412	85 067	22 517	84 964	32 896	790 765
June	24 324	91 704	148 574	18 967	27 472	58 902	36 472	183 302	16 920	795 950
2002-03										
July	17 509	25 309	115 141	20 534	27 470	67 414	90 175	110 752	27 041	704 054
August	16 462	87 890	121 771	14 491	24 896	65 047	138 036	134 638	25 870	831 220
September	27 759	60 374	168 513	20 766	31 641	71 967	38 038	82 804	23 846	763 577
October	29 930	50 488	141 821	29 122	24 139	81 376	19 854	115 691	25 432	685 880
November	35 110	65 111	96 880	30 990	26 285	74 824	24 647	276 999	19 613	818 622
December	32 982	54 121	129 290	30 579	28 324	90 967	26 171	207 525	30 625	834 111
January	24 445	58 429	81 479	18 053	17 289	69 619	29 417	31 453	46 499	565 076
February	31 950	122 226	100 340	16 964	27 140	74 008	15 367	127 472	33 877	703 234
March	33 137	94 369	122 645	22 257	35 873	76 383	18 681	99 157	20 951	698 714

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(b) Includes other commodity groups not listed.

Source: ABS data available on request.

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MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, BY SELECTED COUNTRIES AND COUNTRY GROUPS(a)

Period	European Union					South-East and North-East Asia				
	United States of America	Middle East	United Kingdom	Total European Union	New Zealand	Japan	China	Hong Kong	ASEAN(b)	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999-00	954 681	724 871	625 154	1 073 928	446 026	787 295	315 199	255 679	495 407	2 297 913
2000-01	1 354 759	1 335 811	713 525	1 232 563	480 887	963 481	437 939	298 939	683 694	2 882 839
2001-02	1 597 719	1 825 194	784 284	1 337 855	568 712	937 578	406 163	240 066	597 414	2 594 269
2001-02										
October	137 817	183 472	92 365	159 319	52 409	45 629	39 129	21 422	47 863	213 989
November	142 528	120 739	46 215	92 135	50 254	85 470	44 104	25 897	48 064	242 844
December	187 722	172 462	54 885	108 541	52 684	71 934	35 887	24 400	41 258	200 880
January	44 318	156 335	34 647	75 972	21 104	39 434	17 643	31 673	54 174	169 495
February	96 390	159 853	48 505	93 817	39 929	61 201	20 759	25 147	54 562	191 254
March	151 253	187 747	70 929	134 750	54 261	59 059	63 357	27 514	53 655	245 651
April	131 376	191 395	64 676	96 837	61 889	74 655	33 973	12 231	41 571	196 230
May	129 531	133 050	79 270	116 645	36 358	53 042	37 268	19 133	51 573	205 755
June	179 897	149 770	78 219	124 464	44 543	84 535	27 599	14 205	53 962	208 237
2002-03										
July	74 918	102 167	69 831	116 422	55 005	129 520	24 783	7 936	52 596	270 954
August	149 657	99 934	69 969	115 131	64 639	189 807	29 888	15 393	47 653	311 563
September	95 913	126 778	107 251	170 585	46 478	91 725	35 019	7 956	53 856	236 810
October	124 514	107 491	77 700	115 453	51 528	64 473	34 478	13 004	63 230	217 091
November	240 775	175 617	37 953	74 736	55 019	35 195	53 271	30 257	52 332	210 840
December	165 114	103 930	71 837	122 023	81 860	54 844	39 875	22 573	87 733	262 081
January	61 790	83 362	46 480	83 421	23 591	86 186	39 441	50 990	46 088	253 220
February	104 824	165 742	61 025	106 271	53 674	50 204	46 699	17 397	61 995	196 307
March	122 740	104 805	63 494	122 680	50 615	63 430	21 190	25 699	63 247	195 613

(a) See *International Merchandise Trade, Australia* (cat. no. 5422.0) for country group definitions.

(b) Figures from September 2001 have been updated to include Cambodia in the ASEAN country grouping.

Source: ABS data available on request.

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MERCHANDISE IMPORTS, BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP(a)

	<i>Food, beverages and tobacco</i>	<i>Petroleum and petroleum products</i>	<i>Chemicals</i>	<i>Textiles</i>	<i>Metals and metal manu- factures</i>	<i>Machinery</i>	<i>Road vehicle parts and accessories</i>	<i>Other manu- factured goods</i>	<i>Total(b)</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>
1999-00	163 509	515 641	263 959	97 100	262 737	1 164 672	834 842	845 913	4 319 348
2000-01	183 196	968 428	284 227	97 281	315 327	1 205 016	854 759	926 817	5 044 553
2001-02	205 295	869 161	266 527	106 543	332 538	1 399 576	887 698	1 058 212	5 346 782
2001-02									
October	23 648	63 528	19 978	9 154	33 610	159 511	82 343	91 382	496 998
November	25 109	13 766	21 446	10 959	25 354	130 063	66 386	95 258	406 947
December	17 232	78 949	18 247	6 218	23 108	99 669	52 322	70 152	379 968
January	16 611	1 347	26 023	9 135	33 252	136 134	63 910	94 197	406 187
February	16 447	127 019	19 898	8 556	24 823	109 118	73 577	91 103	490 816
March	12 504	39 514	35 457	8 338	26 536	94 835	72 474	79 012	389 943
April	11 993	78 266	24 836	9 947	27 980	113 247	81 305	79 415	450 747
May	14 585	62 102	27 331	9 842	27 092	117 219	80 639	86 692	445 885
June	15 103	64 704	14 566	8 448	26 002	96 307	73 499	77 657	393 051
2002-03									
July	17 666	66 712	18 971	7 211	33 106	111 832	88 041	91 501	454 751
August	20 355	63 951	19 172	11 171	35 439	121 990	83 005	97 867	476 144
September	19 907	79 309	20 554	8 920	32 522	123 896	77 186	92 519	474 629
October	27 427	75 644	20 997	11 574	36 988	138 644	102 861	111 149	549 856
November	25 409	99 478	18 143	8 474	32 307	130 007	86 247	99 152	525 531
December	23 239	138 539	18 904	7 312	29 504	161 897	58 838	92 037	551 358
January	20 923	10 582	27 349	7 314	38 069	134 883	83 157	100 547	446 393
February	18 018	143 614	37 925	6 713	29 327	91 890	77 437	92 896	523 827
March	19 165	21	37 791	8 263	31 231	95 223	82 849	86 722	384 761

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(b) Includes other commodity groups not listed.

Source: ABS data available on request.

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TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS, BY INDUSTRY—TREND

	<i>Food retailing</i>	<i>Department stores</i>	<i>Clothing and soft good retailing</i>	<i>Household good retailing</i>	<i>Recreational good retailing</i>	<i>Other retailing</i>	<i>Hospitality and services</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Period</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>	<i>\$m</i>
2001–02								
January	428.0	98.9	51.2	129.6	28.7	111.9	163.6	1 011.9
February	430.4	99.3	52.2	133.4	28.9	112.8	167.7	1 025.0
March	433.1	99.3	53.0	136.6	28.7	114.4	171.0	1 036.8
April	436.5	99.4	53.5	138.6	28.3	116.5	173.6	1 047.2
May	440.2	99.4	53.8	139.0	28.3	118.5	175.9	1 055.7
June	443.9	99.6	54.1	137.9	28.7	120.1	178.1	1 062.6
2002–03								
July	447.3	99.9	54.6	136.4	29.5	121.1	180.2	1 068.6
August	449.7	100.6	55.4	135.1	30.5	121.1	181.7	1 073.6
September	451.4	101.6	56.7	134.5	31.6	120.4	182.2	1 077.4
October	452.3	102.7	58.1	134.4	32.4	119.1	181.8	1 080.2
November	452.9	103.7	59.6	134.8	33.0	117.6	181.3	1 082.6
December	453.3	104.5	61.0	135.1	33.5	116.4	181.3	1 085.1
January	454.1	105.0	62.0	134.8	34.1	115.6	182.2	1 087.9
February	454.8	105.4	62.8	134.3	34.7	115.0	183.4	1 090.5
March	455.2	105.4	63.3	133.6	35.4	114.9	184.8	1 093.2

Source: Retail Trade, Australia (cat. no. 8501.0).

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NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES, BY TYPE OF VEHICLE

	<i>Original</i>			<i>Seasonally adjusted</i>			<i>Trend estimate</i>		
<i>Period</i>	<i>Passenger vehicles</i>	<i>Other vehicles</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Passenger vehicles</i>	<i>Other vehicles</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Passenger vehicles</i>	<i>Other vehicles</i>	<i>Total</i>
2001–02									
February	2 892	1 276	4 168	3 057	1 426	4 483	2 925	1 360	4 285
March	2 889	1 335	4 224	2 866	1 252	4 118	2 932	1 384	4 316
April	2 727	1 258	3 985	2 954	1 405	4 359	2 936	1 406	4 342
May	2 945	1 703	4 648	2 859	1 511	4 370	2 947	1 419	4 366
June	3 342	1 801	5 143	3 028	1 420	4 448	2 968	1 433	4 401
2002–03									
July	3 049	1 408	4 457	2 941	1 419	4 360	2 982	1 437	4 419
August	3 108	1 429	4 537	3 010	1 417	4 427	2 985	1 433	4 418
September	2 936	1 251	4 187	3 121	1 460	4 581	2 984	1 433	4 417
October	3 109	1 390	4 499	2 989	1 445	4 434	3 000	1 444	4 444
November	3 134	1 507	4 641	2 925	1 501	4 426	3 051	1 473	4 524
December	3 062	1 469	4 531	2 862	1 276	4 138	3 136	1 511	4 647
January	2 653	1 335	3 988	3 467	1 769	5 236	3 238	1 550	4 788
February	3 290	1 464	4 754	3 476	1 634	5 110	3 339	1 586	4 925
March	3 562	1 585	5 147	3 440	1 512	4 952	3 422	1 615	5 037
April	3 018	1 489	4 507	3 384	1 660	5 044	3 493	1 639	5 132

Source: Sales of New Motor Vehicles, Australia (cat. no. 9314.0.55.001).

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ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, BY SELECTED INDUSTRY AND TYPE OF ASSET

Private New Capital Expenditure, by Selected Industry and Type of Asset						
	Industry				Type of asset	
Period	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant and machinery
ANNUAL (\$m)						
1999-00	251	899	1 431	2 580	640	1 939
2000-01	434	891	1 537	2 862	692	2 170
2001-02	355	927	1 831	3 113	617	2 496
QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$m)						
2001-02						
September	79	206	326	611	136	475
December	97	267	527	891	186	705
March	78	198	439	714	136	578
June	101	256	539	897	159	738
2002-03						
September	117	237	466	821	159	662
December	173	306	684	1 162	215	947
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m)						
2001-02						
September	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	671	133	538
December	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	733	151	582
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	812	161	651
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	868	165	703
2002-03						
September	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	901	168	733
December	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	919	169	750
Source: Private New Capital Expenditure, Australia (cat. no. 5625.0) and ABS data available on request.						

Source: Private New Capital Expenditure, Australia (cat. no. 5625.0) and ABS data available on request.

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities				Motels and guesthouses				Serviced apartments			
	Estab-lish-ments	Guest rooms	Room occu-pancy	Takings	Estab-lish-ments	Guest rooms	Room occu-pancy	Takings	Estab-lish-ments	Guest rooms	Room occu-pancy	Takings
	no.	no.	%	\$'000	no.	no.	%	\$'000	no.	no.	%	\$'000
2000-01												
December	62	4 128	58.2	26 070	146	5 204	54.4	21 557	26	1 220	62.4	7 232
March	62	3 905	59.9	25 686	146	5 217	55.2	21 889	27	1 280	67.1	7 955
June	61	4 066	55.9	23 849	146	5 230	50.5	20 289	27	1 300	63.2	7 959
2001-02												
September	61	4 078	56.3	23 498	146	5 231	49.7	19 926	27	1 293	60.1	7 019
December	61	4 083	61.0	26 556	144	5 170	51.9	21 044	27	1 283	67.0	8 218
March	62	4 091	61.6	27 321	145	5 196	55.6	22 468	27	1 293	70.5	8 454
June	62	4 364	55.4	24 362	145	5 234	50.4	20 482	29	1 357	65.6	8 078
2002-03												
September	63	4 381	57.9	26 109	144	5 220	49.4	20 150	30	1 430	65.8	8 595
December	62	4 362	64.8	31 051	145	5 232	55.6	23 424	31	1 435	70.3	10 424

Source: Tourist Accommodation, Australia (cat. no. 8635.0).

Period	Houses		Total dwelling units		New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential building	Total residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total					
	no.	no.	no.	no.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
ANNUAL									
1999-00	8 290	8 392	9 915	10 024	1 022.9	188.9	1 211.8	585.7	1 797.5
2000-01	5 555	5 644	6 659	6 775	735.6	157.3	892.9	718.2	1 611.1
2001-02	8 858	9 177	10 544	10 903	1 202.3	191.6	1 393.9	804.8	2 198.7
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL									
2001-02									
December	699	745	924	970	107.9	13.0	120.9	42.9	163.7
January	667	688	741	764	86.7	13.2	99.8	94.0	193.9
February	769	839	898	971	104.8	17.7	122.6	59.6	182.2
March	756	774	886	904	97.0	14.3	111.3	74.9	186.2
April	701	714	970	987	111.3	16.2	127.5	55.8	183.3
May	795	823	953	981	119.3	16.5	135.9	55.5	191.4
June	716	742	798	826	96.2	17.6	113.9	68.3	182.1
2002-03									
July	795	843	877	935	113.7	20.1	133.8	53.3	187.2
August	807	838	1 037	1 072	110.2	22.0	132.2	121.0	253.2
September	762	795	825	860	99.7	20.3	120.0	75.1	195.1
October	729	767	1 083	1 125	198.0	20.5	218.5	56.1	274.6
November	720	757	881	930	116.8	20.1	136.9	162.8	299.8
December	570	614	822	882	111.7	19.5	131.2	64.6	195.8
January	493	514	756	783	93.7	16.7	110.3	39.8	150.2
February	633	651	715	745	96.4	20.3	116.6	62.8	179.4
March	667	678	1 040	1 051	120.8	49.8	170.6	48.4	218.9
MONTHLY, TREND									
2001-02									
December	764	803	916	958	105.6	15.7	121.3	74.7	196.0
January	763	802	926	967	108.9	15.8	124.7	73.3	198.0
February	755	791	926	963	110.8	15.9	126.7	69.8	196.4
March	744	776	917	950	111.2	16.0	127.2	65.2	192.4
April	737	765	898	928	107.6	16.4	124.0	62.1	186.1
May	738	765	880	910	103.4	17.1	120.5	60.4	180.9
June	747	776	874	906	102.5	17.9	120.4	61.9	182.3
2002-03									
July	758	790	881	917	106.6	18.7	125.3	68.5	193.8
August	760	796	900	941	114.8	19.4	134.2	78.4	212.6
September	747	785	923	967	124.1	19.4	143.4	87.3	230.7
October	720	758	936	982	130.6	19.2	149.7	91.9	241.7
November	686	721	931	975	131.6	19.7	151.2	89.9	241.1
December	653	684	906	946	126.4	21.4	147.9	82.2	230.0
January	627	654	876	912	118.5	24.5	143.0	70.9	213.8
February	606	628	849	880	110.6	28.4	138.9	57.9	196.9
March	597	614	845	869	103.9	32.7	136.7	46.7	183.4

Source: Building Approvals, Australia (cat. no. 8731.0) and ABS data available on request.

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BUILDING COMMENCEMENTS

Period	New houses		Total dwelling units(a)		New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential building	Non-residential building		
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total			Private sector	Total	Total building
	no.	no.	no.	no.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1999-00	7 729	7 856	9 266	9 410	1 044.8	198.8	351.2	576.9	1 820.5
2000-01	5 303	5 390	6 442	6 556	779.2	161.4	390.4	729.6	1 670.1
2001-02	8 030	8 281	9 702	9 991	1 236.2	197.3	575.0	761.9	2 195.5
2000-01									
December	1 345	1 350	1 498	1 512	167.8	44.3	122.8	151.4	363.5
March	1 157	1 179	1 562	1 597	186.5	43.6	70.9	111.2	341.2
June	1 422	1 443	1 605	1 628	196.0	47.9	91.9	300.7	544.6
2001-02									
September	1 835	1 857	2 365	2 400	324.0	45.1	145.3	188.7	557.9
December	2 217	2 273	2 543	2 613	307.8	52.7	167.2	199.4	559.9
March	1 853	1 949	2 232	2 335	280.0	50.5	122.6	173.7	504.1
June	2 125	2 202	2 563	2 644	324.4	49.0	139.9	200.1	573.6
2002-03									
September	2 300	2 401	2 617	2 730	355.6	55.9	177.7	249.0	660.5
December	1 896	2 000	2 649	2 769	402.5	73.3	145.3	266.9	742.7

(a) Includes conversions.

Source: Building Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8752.0).

Period	New houses		New residential building		Alterations and additions to residential building	Total residential building	Non-residential building		Total building	
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total			Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE										
1999-00	798.1	812.2	984.5	1 000.0	195.5	1 195.4	409.9	629.4	1 585.1	1 824.8
2000-01	679.7	686.9	835.5	845.0	161.9	1 006.9	395.0	624.0	1 385.4	1 630.9
2001-02	852.9	871.7	1 043.3	1 065.3	193.9	1 259.2	522.1	778.2	1 754.6	2 037.4
2000-01										
December	179.6	180.9	216.0	218.3	42.1	260.4	116.6	176.1	372.9	436.5
March	162.6	164.0	193.9	195.7	40.7	236.4	97.2	145.7	330.1	382.1
June	161.6	163.8	197.3	200.3	48.2	248.6	97.2	163.9	340.6	412.5
2001-02										
September	184.2	187.2	227.7	231.2	48.7	279.9	112.7	170.6	386.9	450.6
December	219.4	222.6	261.9	265.5	48.4	314.0	146.9	213.8	456.3	527.7
March	215.1	220.0	262.5	268.6	46.9	315.5	131.3	185.0	439.7	500.4
June	234.2	242.0	291.2	300.0	49.8	349.8	131.3	208.9	471.7	558.7
2002-03										
September	259.7	269.0	318.5	328.6	56.4	385.0	163.1	224.6	537.4	609.6
December	259.0	267.4	323.8	333.3	68.2	401.5	153.0	212.3	544.5	613.9
VALUE OF BUILDING WORK COMPLETED										
1999-00	713.5	730.1	867.6	886.2	191.9	1 078.1	363.0	538.4	1 419.4	1 616.4
2000-01	758.7	763.6	942.8	949.0	154.4	1 103.4	436.3	591.5	1 526.5	1 694.9
2001-02	750.8	766.9	884.9	904.3	180.6	1 084.9	430.7	718.7	1 489.7	1 803.5
2000-01										
December	222.2	224.8	313.7	317.3	35.8	353.1	82.8	107.7	430.8	460.8
March	173.0	174.3	216.5	217.9	34.9	252.8	82.4	138.5	330.9	391.3
June	188.0	188.3	213.7	213.9	52.2	266.1	137.9	164.9	402.4	431.0
2001-02										
September	149.9	153.2	173.1	177.6	55.0	232.6	75.5	121.1	300.5	353.7
December	194.3	197.6	220.5	224.4	38.1	262.5	129.3	259.9	386.3	522.4
March	174.8	177.2	231.9	234.8	39.4	274.2	83.8	127.4	353.7	401.6
June	231.7	238.9	259.4	267.4	48.1	315.6	142.1	210.3	449.2	525.9
2002-03										
September	209.1	219.4	240.1	252.2	45.5	297.7	111.7	164.9	396.6	462.6
December	242.1	247.2	356.7	362.6	61.9	424.5	129.2	159.8	547.4	584.3

Source: Building Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8752.0).

<i>Period</i>	<i>Pigmeat</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Beef</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Mutton</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Lamb</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Sawn</i> <i>timber(a)</i> <i>m³</i>
1999-00	31 927	78 001	28 969	56 667	425 549
2000-01	36 679	82 533	36 103	61 893	389 417
2001-02	48 329	85 882	30 342	64 285	434 577
2000-01					
March	9 785	23 367	9 885	14 968	75 558
June	10 524	19 172	8 321	15 451	97 933
2001-02					
September	10 274	18 271	6 290	11 694	103 774
December	9 754	21 325	8 221	17 627	111 797
March	12 583	23 748	8 895	17 232	111 697
June	15 718	22 539	6 936	17 732	107 309
2002-03					
September	15 531	19 663	9 351	11 493	111 724
December	14 865	23 357	10 073	14 864	110 734
March	16 805	23 930	7 521	17 947	107 267

(a) From Australian softwood logs only.

Source: *Livestock Products, Australia (cat. no. 7215.0)* and ABS data available on request.

<i>Period</i>	<i>Food</i>	<i>Alcohol and tobacco</i>	<i>Clothing and foot- wear</i>	<i>Housing</i>	<i>House furnish- ings, supplies and services</i>	<i>Health</i>	<i>Transpor- tation</i>	<i>Communi- cation</i>	<i>Recre- ation</i>	<i>Educa- tion</i>	<i>Miscell- aneous</i>	<i>All groups</i>
ANNUAL AVERAGE (1989-90 = 100.0)												
1999-00	130.8	179.1	103.3	97.0	112.9	165.7	129.4	97.7	119.1	215.8	148.8	126.3
2000-01	136.7	198.3	111.9	104.3	117.1	169.5	138.0	104.7	122.9	225.9	159.3	133.5
2001-02	143.1	207.3	111.1	108.2	120.6	173.0	135.8	105.8	126.9	235.8	165.1	137.2
QUARTERLY (1989-90 = 100.0)												
2001-02												
December	143.8	205.5	112.2	107.9	120.9	169.3	134.4	106.0	125.6	231.1	163.8	136.6
March	144.6	207.8	110.6	108.6	120.0	173.7	133.9	106.2	129.0	240.6	166.0	137.7
June	143.6	210.0	113.0	109.5	120.9	178.0	138.4	107.3	129.9	240.6	167.0	139.1
2002-03												
September	145.4	210.4	111.5	112.1	121.4	178.1	138.0	109.2	131.5	240.7	171.2	140.3
December	148.1	213.3	112.2	113.0	123.2	178.1	138.8	109.6	131.5	240.7	170.9	141.5
March	151.9	216.0	111.9	117.9	122.5	183.2	144.0	109.9	132.4	251.5	171.6	144.6
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM SAME QUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR												
2001-02												
December	7.2	4.8	0.9	3.8	4.4	1.0	-2.3	1.0	1.8	4.6	3.5	3.1
March	3.7	3.6	0.1	4.0	2.2	1.8	-2.3	1.8	4.9	4.2	3.8	2.7
June	3.0	3.3	0.6	4.4	1.3	3.9	-1.4	3.3	6.0	4.2	3.6	3.0
2002-03												
September	3.5	2.2	2.9	5.0	0.7	4.2	1.2	5.4	6.8	4.2	4.7	3.7
December	3.0	3.8	0.0	4.7	1.9	5.2	3.3	3.4	4.7	4.2	4.3	3.6
March	5.0	3.9	1.2	8.6	2.1	5.5	7.5	3.5	2.6	4.5	3.4	5.0
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER												
2001-02												
December	2.3	-0.2	3.5	1.0	0.2	-0.9	-1.5	2.3	2.0	0.0	0.2	1.0
March	0.6	1.1	-1.4	0.6	-0.7	2.6	-0.4	0.2	2.7	4.1	1.3	0.8
June	-0.7	1.1	2.2	0.8	0.8	2.5	3.4	1.0	0.7	0.0	0.6	1.0
2002-03												
September	1.3	0.2	-1.3	2.4	0.4	0.1	-0.3	1.8	1.2	0.0	2.5	0.9
December	1.9	1.4	0.6	0.8	1.5	0.0	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.9
March	2.6	1.3	-0.3	4.3	-0.6	2.9	3.7	0.3	0.7	4.5	0.4	2.2

Source: Consumer Price Index (cat. no. 6401.0).

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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE(a)

Period	Net migration			Total increase	Population at end of period
	Natural increase	Interstate	Overseas(b)		
1999-00	6 306	-3 531	3 829	7 219	1 505 038
2000-01	5 495	-2 418	2 765	6 690	1 511 728
2001-02	5 887	-1 854	4 481	8 514	1 520 242
2000-01					
September	1 147	-618	877	1 616	1 506 654
December	1 385	-789	566	1 374	1 508 028
March	1 691	-821	1 276	2 358	1 510 386
June	1 272	-190	46	1 342	1 511 728
2001-02					
September	1 244	-632	1 130	1 742	1 513 470
December	1 264	-171	1 185	2 278	1 515 748
March	1 737	-529	1 665	2 873	1 518 621
June	1 642	-522	501	1 621	1 520 242
2002-03					
September	948	-17	1 283	2 214	1 522 456

(a) Differences between the sum of the components and the total of population growth are attributed to intercensal discrepancy.

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0).

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

Period	Registrations			
	Births	Deaths	Marriages	Divorces
1999-00	17 896	11 590	8 428	4 197
2000-01	17 414	11 919	7 689	4 072
2001-02	17 481	11 594	7 474	4 448
1999-00				
June	4 449	3 001	1 996	984
2000-01				
September	4 441	3 294	1 092	1 056
December	4 274	2 889	2 703	1 031
March	4 402	2 711	2 175	824
June	4 297	3 025	1 719	1 161
2001-02				
September	4 398	3 154	1 096	1 387
December	4 109	2 845	2 444	1 173
March	4 564	2 827	2 135	930
June	4 410	2 768	1 799	958
2002-03				
September	4 355	3 407	1 019	1 062

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0).

Period	Employed full-time		Employed part-time		Total employed		Unemployed		Labour force	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
ANNUAL AVERAGE ('000)										
1999-00	322.1	152.5	56.1	142.4	378.2	294.9	34.6	23.9	412.8	318.7
2000-01	322.6	156.7	54.8	143.5	377.4	300.2	32.6	20.2	410.0	320.4
2001-02	319.2	153.2	59.2	153.1	378.4	306.3	31.8	20.0	410.2	326.2
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL ('000)										
2001-02										
February	318.9	152.6	62.4	152.3	381.3	304.9	34.7	22.2	416.0	327.1
March	320.4	147.7	64.0	157.6	384.4	305.3	28.7	21.3	413.1	326.6
April	319.4	147.9	63.5	163.7	382.9	311.6	30.1	18.5	413.0	330.1
May	321.0	152.4	59.8	156.5	380.8	308.9	31.2	19.3	412.0	328.2
June	318.3	147.0	61.9	164.7	380.2	311.7	29.9	19.5	410.1	331.2
2002-03										
July	325.3	149.7	56.8	155.6	382.1	305.3	26.0	18.5	408.1	323.8
August	324.8	150.6	54.8	155.7	379.6	306.3	28.8	20.1	408.4	326.4
September	327.8	154.8	63.3	158.7	391.1	313.5	26.9	21.2	418.0	334.7
October	322.4	155.4	62.2	157.5	384.6	312.9	26.2	18.9	410.8	331.8
November	327.1	154.1	57.2	160.1	384.3	314.2	26.7	17.0	410.9	331.2
December	337.6	162.7	56.3	154.4	393.9	317.1	24.3	17.6	418.2	334.6
January	336.0	163.1	51.0	149.4	387.0	312.5	30.5	18.8	417.5	331.4
February	338.4	168.6	50.6	150.0	389.0	318.6	31.5	19.9	420.5	338.5
March	331.8	166.1	59.8	158.4	391.6	324.5	26.7	20.0	418.3	344.4
April	333.2	163.6	58.7	158.6	391.9	322.2	28.8	17.9	420.6	340.0
MONTHLY, TREND ('000)										
2001-02										
February	319.9	151.9	61.3	155.1	381.2	307.0	31.0	20.1	412.2	327.1
March	320.4	151.1	61.6	157.0	382.0	308.1	30.8	19.9	412.8	327.9
April	321.0	150.6	61.2	158.5	382.2	309.1	30.6	19.6	412.8	328.7
May	321.8	150.5	60.5	159.2	382.3	309.7	30.3	19.5	412.6	329.2
June	322.6	150.7	59.8	159.2	382.4	309.9	30.0	19.6	412.3	329.5
2002-03										
July	323.3	150.8	59.5	158.8	382.8	309.6	29.3	19.9	412.1	329.5
August	324.1	151.1	59.6	158.1	383.7	309.2	28.4	20.1	412.1	329.3
September	325.3	152.0	59.6	157.2	384.9	309.2	27.4	20.0	412.3	329.2
October	327.1	153.6	59.0	156.5	386.1	310.1	26.6	19.6	412.7	329.7
November	329.2	156.2	57.9	155.9	387.1	312.1	26.4	19.1	413.5	331.1
December	331.3	159.1	56.6	155.5	387.9	314.6	26.6	18.6	414.5	333.2
January	333.1	162.1	55.6	155.1	388.7	317.2	27.1	18.3	415.8	335.5
February	334.6	164.9	54.9	154.8	389.5	319.7	27.7	18.1	417.1	337.8
March	335.6	167.2	54.6	154.6	390.2	321.8	28.3	18.1	418.4	339.9
April	336.4	169.0	54.7	154.6	391.1	323.6	28.7	18.1	419.8	341.7

(a) Population aged 15 years and over.

Source: Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (cat. no. 6202.0).

Period	Civilian population			Unemployment rate			Participation rate		
	Males aged 15 and over	Females aged 15 and over	Persons aged 15–19	Males all ages	Females all ages	Persons all ages	Males	Females	Persons
	'000	'000	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
ANNUAL AVERAGE									
1999–00	587.6	613.8	20.0	8.4	7.5	8.0	70.3	51.9	60.9
2000–01	591.6	616.9	17.9	8.0	6.3	7.2	69.3	51.9	60.4
2001–02	595.4	620.5	18.5	7.8	6.1	7.1	68.9	52.6	60.6
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL									
2001–02									
February	595.9	620.9	19.1	8.3	6.8	7.7	69.8	52.7	61.1
March	596.2	621.3	18.3	6.9	6.5	6.8	69.3	52.6	60.8
April	596.6	621.7	16.3	7.3	5.6	6.5	69.2	53.1	61.0
May	597.0	622.1	17.9	7.6	5.9	6.8	69.0	52.8	60.7
June	597.4	622.5	17.5	7.3	5.9	6.7	68.6	53.2	60.8
2002–03									
July	597.9	623.0	13.0	6.4	5.7	6.1	68.3	52.0	59.9
August	598.4	623.5	16.3	7.0	6.2	6.7	68.2	52.4	60.1
September	598.9	624.0	16.6	6.4	6.3	6.4	69.8	53.6	61.5
October	599.3	624.4	16.3	6.4	5.7	6.1	68.5	53.1	60.7
November	599.8	624.8	14.9	6.5	5.1	5.9	68.5	53.0	60.6
December	600.2	625.2	15.5	5.8	5.3	5.6	69.7	53.5	61.4
January	600.9	625.8	19.7	7.3	5.7	6.6	69.5	53.0	61.0
February	601.6	626.3	18.3	7.5	5.9	6.8	69.9	54.0	61.8
March	602.3	626.9	15.9	6.4	5.8	6.1	69.4	54.9	62.0
April	602.7	627.1	18.0	6.8	5.3	6.1	69.8	54.2	61.9
MONTHLY, TREND									
2001–02									
February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.5	6.1	6.9	69.2	52.7	60.8
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.5	6.1	6.8	69.2	52.8	60.8
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.4	6.0	6.8	69.2	52.9	60.9
May	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.4	5.9	6.7	69.1	52.9	60.8
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.3	5.9	6.7	69.0	52.9	60.8
2002–03									
July	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.1	6.0	6.6	68.9	52.9	60.7
August	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.9	6.1	6.5	68.9	52.8	60.7
September	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.6	6.1	6.4	68.8	52.8	60.6
October	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.5	5.9	6.2	68.9	52.8	60.7
November	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.4	5.8	6.1	68.9	53.0	60.8
December	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.4	5.6	6.0	69.0	53.3	61.0
January	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.5	5.4	6.0	69.2	53.6	61.2
February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.6	5.4	6.1	69.3	53.9	61.5
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.8	5.3	6.1	69.5	54.2	61.7
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.8	5.3	6.2	69.7	54.5	61.9

(a) Population aged 15 years and over.

Source: Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (cat. no. 6202.0).

Period	Males			Females			Persons		
	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All males total earnings	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All females total earnings	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All employees total earnings
ANNUAL AVERAGE (\$ per week)									
1999-00	756.80	812.50	695.00	641.70	663.30	457.20	714.40	757.50	575.90
2000-01	811.30	864.40	746.80	685.20	703.90	491.20	765.70	806.40	619.70
2001-02	830.20	890.18	775.00	731.10	744.33	505.18	797.18	841.68	643.75
QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$ per week)									
2001-02									
November	827.80	884.90	772.10	733.00	745.80	506.00	796.10	838.40	641.40
February	831.00	900.50	773.20	741.80	754.60	497.90	801.50	852.20	639.20
May	829.40	899.40	783.50	735.10	749.80	503.80	799.40	851.80	649.90
2002-03									
August	829.90	877.40	765.50	757.20	770.30	543.20	805.50	841.40	661.80
November	851.10	902.10	781.00	755.80	769.30	527.20	818.90	857.20	662.40
February	884.60	933.00	810.50	781.60	795.60	550.70	850.90	888.00	692.30
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$ per week)									
2001-02									
November	830.10	887.60	772.70	728.10	741.00	501.80	795.90	838.70	640.50
February	828.80	893.10	774.90	737.70	751.10	505.10	799.00	846.70	643.80
May	828.50	892.40	774.10	744.30	757.90	513.50	801.00	848.30	649.10
2002-03									
August	836.90	894.10	777.00	751.60	765.10	525.30	808.60	851.30	658.70
November	853.10	903.20	784.80	761.50	775.10	536.10	822.50	860.80	670.20
February	874.20	919.10	797.20	773.20	787.30	545.50	841.10	876.30	682.70

Source: Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (cat. no. 6302.0).

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SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS(a)

Period	Original		Seasonally adjusted		Trend	
	Dwelling units	Value	Dwelling units	Value	Dwelling units	Value
	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m
2001-02						
January	3 892	444	4 346	487	4 269	479
February	4 008	455	4 201	467	4 264	477
March	4 246	478	4 226	477	4 299	477
April	4 112	458	4 151	461	4 368	480
May	4 880	525	4 508	486	4 448	486
June	4 681	498	4 671	511	4 504	494
2002-03						
July	4 988	524	4 711	502	4 500	501
August	4 166	476	4 367	508	4 427	504
September	3 825	454	4 171	493	4 307	503
October	4 329	517	4 261	517	4 200	501
November	4 336	529	4 038	494	4 157	503
December	4 322	539	4 128	496	4 188	510
January	3 765	465	4 233	517	4 261	522
February	4 112	508	4 321	522	4 354	536
March	4 794	613	4 708	596	4 453	551

(a) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

Source: Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia (cat. no. 5609.0).

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FINANCE COMMITMENTS

Period	Commercial finance commitments			Personal finance commitments			
	Fixed loan facilities	Revolving credit facilities	Total commercial finance commitments	Fixed loan facilities	Revolving credit facilities	Total personal finance commitments	Total lease finance commitments
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
2001-02							
January	338.8	228.3	567.1	164.2	119.9	284.1	10.9
February	422.8	288.2	711.0	176.3	134.7	310.9	13.9
March	545.5	235.5	781.0	176.3	145.9	322.3	14.6
April	476.6	226.0	702.6	169.8	151.7	321.5	13.3
May	457.3	220.1	677.4	193.8	158.7	352.5	16.3
June	595.1	370.9	966.0	188.7	187.9	376.6	17.3
2002-03							
July	593.0	413.3	1 006.3	198.3	180.2	378.5	15.2
August	524.6	484.1	1 008.7	195.7	180.2	375.9	12.3
September	524.0	433.9	957.9	180.2	150.1	330.4	13.4
October	545.4	372.3	917.7	190.4	182.3	372.8	14.2
November	519.2	341.6	860.8	199.1	190.1	389.2	12.8
December	706.9	373.0	1 079.9	210.0	204.9	414.9	14.2
January	616.6	272.2	888.9	210.5	147.3	357.8	15.3
February	469.0	244.5	713.5	210.0	155.4	365.4	13.6
March	576.1	278.0	854.1	220.3	207.6	428.0	17.0

Source: ABS data available on request.

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